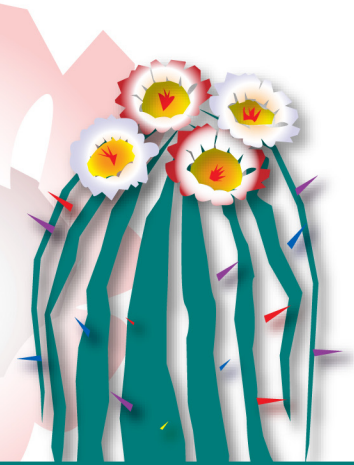




Barrel District Network News



Councilmember Yvonne Knaack - City of Glendale, Barrel District

May 23, 2008

Construction on 59th Ave. from Olive to Brown. Drivers who travel along 59th Avenue from Olive Avenue to Brown Street will experience restrictions, starting Thursday, May 29 for approximately three months, as the city installs storm drains to alleviate monsoon flooding along 59th Ave.

Restrictions will include limiting traffic to one lane in each direction and temporary no left turns along the construction route. There will be limited access to Glendale Main Library, Glendale Adult Center and Sahuaro Ranch Park. For those drivers accessing these facilities from the south, it is recommended to enter from 61st Avenue and Peoria. Glendale Community College students are encouraged to enter the GCC parking lot from Olive Avenue.

Heavy traffic is expected during the rush hour commute. The Glendale Transportation Department encourages drivers to plan accordingly. Message boards have been installed to let the public know of the restrictions on 59th Ave, as well.

For more information, visit <http://www.glendaleaz.com/transportation> or call the construction hotline at (602) 762-0499.



Summer Youth Drop-In Recreation Program. Drop-In Recreation is a free, fully supervised, city-wide program where Glendale kids can have some cool summer fun. The program features games, special events, swimming, sports, special guests, arts & crafts, awareness programs and field trips. Children who have completed kindergarten through those entering 8th grade in the fall may participate. Registration materials may be picked up in advance from the Glendale Parks & Recreation office, 5850 W. Glendale Ave., or parents call fill out the information on the first day their child attends. For more information, [click here](#) and scroll down to "Summer Programs" or call (623) 930-2842.

Northern Glendale Sites:

June 2 - July 18 / M-F, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

- Copperwood Elementary School, 11232 N. 65th Ave.
- Heritage Elementary School, 5312 W. Mountain View Rd.
- Kachina Elementary School, 5304 W. Crocus Dr.
- Marshall Ranch Elementary School, 12995 N. Marshall Ranch Dr.
- Pioneer Elementary School, 6315 W. Port Au Prince Lane

Southern Glendale Sites:

June 2 - July 18 / M-F, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

- O'Neil Recreation Center, 6448 W. Missouri Ave.
- Rose Lane Recreation Center, 5003 W. Marlette Ave.
- Glendale Community Center, 5401 W. Ocotillo Rd.

June 2 - July 17 / M-TH, 9 a.m.-5 p.m.

- Smith Magnet Elementary, 6534 N. 63rd Ave.
- Bicentennial North Elementary, 7237 W. Missouri Ave.
- Desert Garden Elementary, 7020 W. Ocotillo Rd.

June 2 - July 17 / M-TH, 8 a.m.-3 p.m.

- Barcelona Middle School, 4432 W. Maryland Ave.



Summer Recreation Classes. Register now for over 170 different summer classes ranging from arts to yoga through the Glendale Parks and Recreation Department.

Classes are offered at locations throughout Glendale and prices vary. For all the classes, dates, times, locations and prices, check out the summer issue of the Glendale Parks & Recreation Quarterly magazine available at Glendale libraries and recreation centers. [Click here](#) to download the magazine or register for classes online. For more information, call (623) 930-4613.

Distinguished Budget Presentation Award. The city of Glendale has received the Distinguished Budget Presentation Award from the Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA.)

This award was given for the city's 2007-08 fiscal year budget document. It represents a significant achievement by the organization, reflecting the commitment of elected officials, city manager and staff to meeting the highest principles of governmental budgeting.

In order to receive the award, the city had to meet nationally recognized guidelines for effective budget presentation. The guidelines are designed to assess how well an organization's budget serves as a policy document, a financial plan, an operations guide and a communications device.

The GFOA is a nonprofit professional association serving 14,000 government finance professionals throughout North America.

Around Town

Memorial Day. City of Glendale offices and all three Glendale libraries will be closed on Monday, May 26 in observance of Memorial Day. For information on holiday schedule changes in Sanitation services [click here](#).

Summer Reading Programs Return May 27. Glendale Public Library is offering a reading program for every member of the family, from babes in arms to seniors. To find out the dates and times for all the free programs, pick up the summer reading program schedules at any Glendale library. [Read more.](#)

Jammin' at the Library. The Acoustic Jam Session meets at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, May 28 in the large meeting room at Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. All levels of musicians are welcome in a round-robin circle. Play along with others, or just sit and enjoy the camaraderie of other musicians. Everyone is welcome to this free program. Call (623) 930-3573 for more information.

Backyard Stargazing for Everyone. "Backyard Stargazing" will be held at 7 p.m. on Monday, June 2 in the auditorium of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St. Tony and Carole La Conte will show the public what any novice can see from one's own backyard. Weather permitting, telescope and binocular viewing will follow the free program. Telescopes will be provided or attendees may bring their own viewing equipment.

Tony La Conte is a "Solar System Ambassador," one of seven Arizonans chosen to organize public educational events about solar system exploration. For more information, call (623) 930-3573.

Free CCC-CPR Class. Learn Continuous Chest Compression CPR on Wednesday, June 18 from 7-9 p.m. at Glendale City Council Chambers, 5850 W. Glendale Ave. Classes are held once a month at various locations throughout Glendale. To reserve a spot or learn more about CCC-CPR, [click here](#).

[Click here](#) for the City Council Meeting schedule.

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